

Public Health Alert

DATE: December 30, 2022

Adult Bitten by Unknown Dog on Monocacy Boulevard in Frederick City, Maryland, on Thursday, December 29th, 2022. Seeking Owner of Dog.

An adult male was bitten by an unknown dog on Thursday, December 29th, 2022, at approximately 2:30 p.m. on Monocacy Boulevard near the Walmart in Frederick City, Maryland. The bite occurred when the victim and the leashed biting dog with its owner were walking towards each other. They all stopped, and the victim was bit when he went to pet the dog. The dog is described as a black and brown dog that was medium to large. The owner is described as a female, possibly Caucasian.

Contact is needed to confirm the animal's health and whereabouts. The animal will be quarantined, which can occur in the owner's home, for 10 days to monitor its health. If the animal is verified to be in good health 10 days after the bite, it will be allowed to resume normal activity, and the victim can avoid receiving unnecessary and expensive post-exposure rabies vaccinations. The Frederick County Health Department is asking that the owner or anyone who has information about the animal please contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

If you or someone in your family is bitten or scratched by a dog or cat, obtain contact information from the animal's owner so that appropriate action can be taken. Report bites to Animal Control at 301-600-1544. Report possible human exposure to Community Health Services at 301-600-3342. For general rabies questions, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717. Visit health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES for more information.

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